MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT



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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR MICHIGAN HALL OF JUSTICE LEARNING CENTER

LANSING, MI, January 24, 2003 – Volunteers are being sought for the new Hall of Justice Learning Center in Lansing. The Learning Center is designed to help school children and adults understand the judiciary and how it affects their lives. The 3,800 sq. ft. museum-style gallery is highly interactive with computer programs and hands-on activities. Volunteers will undergo training and become tour leaders to assist groups that visit the gallery. Volunteers will work closely with educators and visitors as they greet them, discuss specific requests with educators, and guide visitors through the various exhibits.

Volunteers commit to assisting the Center for a minimum of eight hours per month for one year. A training program will start in mid-February to help prepare the volunteers for their role. Training sessions will include information on the Michigan court system, exhibit content, computer programs and other general information about the Michigan Supreme Court. Volunteers will also learn how to guide visitors through the gallery. Teachers or other individuals with experience working with children are ideal for this volunteer opportunity. A knowledge of the judiciary is not necessary.

Applications are available by calling 517-373-5027, or check the Michigan Supreme Court website at www.courts.Michigan.gov and click on **Learning Center**. Interviews and background checks will be required for all applications.